PRICE TWO CENTS.

HELEN HALL'S HAND SHOWN SAYS GILMAN ADOPTED HER AND PROM-

ISED HER ALL HIS ESTATE. Does Not Say That She Has Writings or Rec ords to Show for It-Says the Agreement

Was Made Last November and Brings Suit Under It to Assert Her Claim in Two States. Helen Potts Hall, who resided at the Black Rock residence of George Francis Gilman and who has asserted a claim to Gilman's entire estate without declaring her title, began two actions yesterday in which she demands the entire estate on the basis of an agreement alleged to have been made

with Gilman on Nov. 1 last. The consideration expressed for the agreement was love daughter till his death. In all respects, she avers, she kept her covenants until his death it stated whether the agreement of Nov. last was in writing or not. Mrs. Hall concedes that George B. Hartford

grocery business which they conducted in bout two hundred stores in twenty different States under the names of the Atlantic and Pacific Tea Company and the Great American Tea Company. The good will she says to conduct the business pending the action without interference from the administrators. The administrators in this State are Theophilus Gilman and Edward L. Norton. She asks the Court to restrain them from the threatened sale of the business in this State, which she says was the great depot to supply all the

es, ie two actions in their main averments practically the same. One is brought in supreme Court of this State and names he heirs of the haif and full blood, George durtford, the administrators here and Bridgeport Trust Company, appointed the declaration in Compethal, as the dean administrator in Connecticut, as the de-lendants. The other action is brought by her through Frank 6. Potter as her next friend, in legal parlance, in the Circuit Court of the United States for the District of Conneccat in order to enjoin the disposition of reperty beyond the jurisdiction of her action in the cree. The only defendants in the action in the United States Court are the Bridgeport last night: the United States Court are the Bridgeport rust Company, as administrator inner the two of Connecticut, and George W. Smith, tho, she says, makes some claim against be estate the nature of which she does not now. She avers that the appointment of the Bridgeport Trust Company is objectionate to her and the heirs and she wants that company removed.

a le to her and the heirs and she wants that ompany removed. In both actions she values the estate at more than a million and a half dellars. She declares in both actions that Gilman died a resident. Both actions are brought through Lawyers Hatch & Wickes Questions which she says have perplexed the relatives of the she had and whether the relatives of the she and the half blood as to where Gilman resided and whether the relatives of the laif blood are entitled to share in the estate, ever which she says there promises to be literation for several years, are now of no importance, because all the estate belongs to her, wherever talman resided. Her compalate the provided in the case was taken early in March and without attracting any special attention. The decree is now in the private safe of County and without attracting any special attention.

plaintiff trether shows that in a of said services and affection, ducement for her to render the as she lived, and for other good econsulerations, the said George or about the first day of Novemburgel in a narregular with

e no less than would have been ren-y a character that they cannot be achieved and are not capable of sertainment or valuation, at the time of executing said agree-sould George F. Gilman was a widower fless and so continued until his death, had no relatives who resided with who were decembent mean him is

tends that all property must be turned over to him from other States, because Gilman was a resident of Connecticat, and the additistrators appointed in this county are seeking all the assets from other States, saring Galman resided here. Unless they are stopped they will put her to further great box. She fears loss through the ten business, also, it its conduct is interiered with. Surrogate Thomas yesterday appointed Terence J McMannis and C. W. Lu. sier, Jr. appraisers of the personal property of the late George F, Gilman in this State.

or factch declared to say last evening

Poland! Poland! Poland!

The purest natural spring water in the world .- Adr.

ODELL'S APPOINTMENTS-WHEN?

The Governor to See Senator Platt in New York on Saturday.

Gov. Odell is to be in New York on Saturday and discuss with Senator Platt at the Fifth Avenue Hotel a number of interesting matters. The amendments to the charter while were accepted by Senator Stranahan, chairman of the Senate Cities Committee, and by Otto Kelsey, chairman of the Assembly Cities committee will come up for consideration.

Incidentally nominations to be sent to the Senate by Gov. Odeil will not be overlooked when the Governor and the Senator have their talk. Senator Platt said yesterday that he did not understand why Gov. Odell had not made the appointments which are at hand. The first on the list is a successor to Henry H. Lyman, State Commissioner of Excise, term five years, confirmed by the Senate. and affection for her as his adopted daughter | \$5,000 a year; appoints one general deputy and her promise to act toward him as his and five special deputies, one each for the boroughs of Manhattan and The Bronx, Brooklyn, Richmond and Queens, and one for on March 3 last. It is not stated that she | the county of Erie. These special deputies, was adopted by legal proceedings, nor is together with the County Treasurers in all other counties under the direction of the Commissioner, issue the liquor tax certificates and collect the pay therefor. Commissioner Lyman was a partner of Gilman in the tea and is from Oswego, the home county of Senator Stranahan, and he was appointed on April 1, 1896. His chief deputy is Maynard N. Clement, a personal friend of Senator John Faines, and was appointed on April 3, 1896.

Then, too, Gov. Odell and Senator Platt are very valuable and she wants Hartford to discuss the appointments of Port Wardens, whose terms are overdue. The Governor has to appoint the successors of these Port Wardens:

Robert B. Miller, New York city. John H. Gunner, New York city. Wilbur W. Capron, Wayland. Robert M. Johnston, Brooklyn. William O'Connor, Little Falls.

The foregoing appointments are for three years. The gentlemen named were appointed on March 23, 1898. They are holding office nearly a month over time. Then there is a special Port Warden whose

Richmond, appointed April 6, 1899. A Senator who said that he had talked with Gov. Odell about these appointments stated

term is for two years, Horace E. Buel of Port

"The Governor told me that he would not make these appointments of Port Wardens until after the Legislature adjourned."

DIVORCE FOR FRANZ P. KALTENBORN.

All Decree Granted to the Masical Leader on April 1 at White Plains.

White Plains, N. Y., April 10—A decree with the proming of the employees of the rond, when the provided of absolute divorce has been granted to Franz P. Kaltenborn, the orchestra leader, and the firm his wife, Louisa B. Kaltenborn, by Justice Martin J. Keeph of the Supreme Court. The decree was granted on April 1, Evidence in the case was taken early in March. There was a good deal of kicking about the various committees, which have been conferring with M. Warren for the gostin for Chapman's banishment is that he and without attracting any special attention, The decree is now in the private safe of County Cerk Crumb, and no one will be permitted in the case. At the County Clerk's office in the case are frome of the members of the different committees, while others and not think it worth there is now in the private safe of County is come in each of the County Clerk's office in the case. At the County Clerk's office in the case, at the County Clerk's office in the case. At the County Clerk's office in the case, at the County Clerk's office in the case. At the County Clerk's office in the case, at the County Clerk's office in the case. At the County Clerk's office in the case, at the County Clerk's office in the case. At the County Clerk's office in the case, at the County Clerk's office in the case. At the County Clerk's office in the case, at the County Clerk's office in the case. At the County Clerk's office in the case, at the County Clerk's office in the County Clerk's office

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chain to be considered as the objects of his assumentary boards.

After reciting the long list of relatives, she says. That one of said relatives lived on terms of intimacy or cordinity with the said George F. Gilman, but on the contrary all of them had for many years been estranged from him and many of them were bitterly hostile to him.

In alleging that Gilman was a resident of New Yuna Mrs. Hall's complaint says that a "secluded Husself and largely absented himself from New York" after two of his brothers. The appallus and Frazier, had assauted him in the streetsheer, and because of fear of further assaults be "took up a temperary abde" at Black Rock, Com.

She further avers: That as this plaintiff is informed and believes the said George F. Gilman failed and neglected in his lifetime for make any will, confirming the provisions of the hereinbefore recited agreement with this plaintiff, and as plaintiff is informed and believes the estate because of tear of further assaults be took up a temperary abde" at Black Rock, Com.

She wants to enjoin all heirs or administrative from litigating over the estate because these lifigations, several of which are pending, will enjoy the said George F. She wants to enjoin all heirs or administrative from litigating over the estate because those lifigations, several of which are pending, will enjoy the said for the estate, which is an advance on their present was leaded to become the leader of an ochestra that is to play at the St. Moho.

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Woman Seven Feet Two Accuses Her Husband

of Non-Support.

inches tall, had her husband, who is five feet four, before Recorder Stanton of Hoboken vesterday on a charge of non-support. Nieman promised to pay his wife \$5 a week.

is the New York Central and its connections. It carries you through the centres of population and the gateways of commerce, between the East and the West.—Ade.

CONFERENCE IS ARRANGED.

VICE-PRESIDENT WARREN TO MEET R. R. MEN'S COMMITTEES TO-DAY.

Telegram Sent to Them to Come on to New York for Discussion of Demands-Second Committee to Talk With Other Officials -Chances of a Strike Very Slim Now.

John V. Waite, representing the engineers, and Timothy Shea, representing the firemen, visited the officers of the New Jersey Central Railroad at Jersey City yesterday with the object of renewing negotiations for a settlement of the differences between the employees and the company. They said that they believed matters could be settled as far as their organizations were concerned. The question was then put to them: "What about the trainmen?"

"Oh, bother the trainmen," one of them replied. The two men thought better of it, however, and decided that the trainmen and others should be represented. It was finally decided that they should hold a conference with Supt Olhausen and Division Superintendent Wentz this forenoon. Vice-President Warren has also decided to meet the committees of the road in conference to-day and the outlook is that there will be no strike. The Grievance Committee of the Wilkes-Barre division received a telegram at 10:30 last night from the firm of Warren, Wentz & Co., in this city, asking them to leave on the first train in the morning to meet Mr. Warren for a discussion of the demands. The committee is composed of Fuller Tucker of the conductors, G. E. Peck of the engineers,

E. L. Reilly of the firemen, H. F. Ryner of

the trainmen and John Nellinger of the teleg-

raphers. The belief was general yesterday that even if a strike had been declared an attempt would have been made to see General Manager Warren by the five chiefs in a final effort to settle matters amicably. In this case the strike vote would have been used as an argument. It was stated on good authority yesterday that the strike rumors regarding the Central were already influencing timid passengers and that the passenger traffic had perceptibly diminished. It was said that if the leaders who are responsible for the strike agitation lo not show their hand soon the company will act and bring matters to a crisis itself.

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who is 7 feet 2, who is five feet ton of Hoboken nesupport. Niessage with the handker her words with the handker her to be received servant, Jose Lane. Almost immediately, so his mother said, he fell asleep.

The bottle the boy brought in, Mrs. Fountain said, was thrown into the street and a street cleaner picked it up and carreed it away. She produced the handkerchief as proof of the tale. The police say it smelled of choloro form when they got it at 8 o clock last night. Mrs. Fountain didn't tell the police until she had talked to some of her neighbors. She is sure that the men wanted to kidnap her hoy and she suggests that they are the thieves who stole her wedding presents last. October.

The purest natural spring water in the world. -Ads. The purest natural spring water in the world. -Ads. Aristocratic, old and fine. -Adv.

STATESMAN, HUSBAND, AND WIFE in a Three Cornered Street Fight in Which Husband Plied a Cane.

Things were made lively in West Thirtyeighth street near Seventh avenue yesterday afternoon by a fight in which two men and a woman figured. It began in front of the house of Mrs. Fannie St. Clair at 224 West Thirty-eighth street. To her a week ago went a man and a young woman who said they were Mr. and Mrs. Taylor and wanted a room. Mrs. St. Clair let them have her back parlor. Yesterday afternoon she was telling a friend how nice and quiet her new

tenants were when the friend said: "Why there is a fight outside." Mrs. St. Clair looked out and listened. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor were out there with a short, thick-set Hebrew gentleman, who was laying his cane heavily on Mr. Taylor whenever he could. Mr. Taylor had only an umbrella. The short man kept saying: "I'll teach you! This is my wife! I'll teach

The woman helped Mr. Taylor and the fight went on until the combatants got near the Navarro Hotel. Then Hotel Detective Maxwell ran out and grabbed the two men. "Now," said Taylor to Maxwell, "Go easy.

I'm ex-Assemblyman So-and-so. I don't think this man here wants to make any complaint against me. I have none to make. "Well," said Maxwell, "if you'll behave vou can go."

The short man then went away without telling Maxwell his name. "Taylor" and "Mrs. Taylor" went back to 224 West Thirtyeighth street. Mrs. St. Clair told them she needed her back parlor for somebody else and they went away. The ex-Assemblyman whose name was

used was not at home last night. His landlady hadn't seen him for four or five days and she said that his wife was in Washington. Mr 'Taylor's" face at the conclusion of he row was very badly damaged. There were several cuts and bruises on his forehead His silk hat was wrecked. The short

WHY CHAPMAN WAS BANISHED.

Mulberry Street Hears That It Was Because He and Wardman Glennon Clashed.

Mulberry Street, which has been earnestly discussing Capt. Chapman ever since Police Commissioner Murphy transferred him On the general proposition of seeing the from the Tenderloin to the wilds of High

dent Thomas Rishop, at St. Mark's Church, by the Rev. W. Delaney Wilson, the rector. part in the services. The best man was in the services. The best man was are N. Huber of Ridgefleid Park, N. J. the modd of honor. Miss Annie Bishop, er of the groom. The bride was given why Thomas Bishop, father of the groom, he special request of the bride's lather ecution was held at the home of the legroom's father in Lowell ayenue, where, each a foral horsestnee of orchids and r rare jowers, and the Stars and Stripes the Union dick interwoven, the young de precived the congratulations of their dis-

SPECIAL LAW FOR A STUBBORN MAN.

To Transfer Property Which a Man Who Has Been in Jail Seven Years Has Refused to Do.

courts in any proceeding at law in which a rdered and where the person who is ordered direct that such conveyance be executed ath the same effect by the Sheriff, protho-otary, clerk or trustees appointed by the

notary, clerk or trustees appointed by the court.

An interesting stary lies behind the bill, and if the toverner approves the measure; will like the toverner approves the measure; will likerate from prison a man who has been in contempt of court for seven years. The case is that of James Gannon of Seranton, who had been sued by his brother-in-law. Thomas Reel, for the possession of a piece of land worth she ut \$3,000. Gannon lost the one, god he was directed to make a deed in layor of Reel for all his interest in the land. This he refused to do. He was adjudged in contempt of court and thrown into prison, buring the last seven years he has armly offused to obey the order of the court and had hade up his mind to die in juil rather than take the deed. If the Governor approves he had a Lackawanna hall official will probably so directed by the court to execute the deed, and Gannon will be likefaled from his continuous?

PROF. GOODWIN RESIGNS.

Leave After Forty-five Years' Work.

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., April 10 .- Prof. William ture at Harvard University, has resigned

ture at Harvard University, has resigned after a continuous service of forty-five years. The resignation is on account of Prof. Goodwin's are and is to take effect at the close of the present callege very.

Prof. Goodwin was born in Concord, N. H. in 18th, and was graduated from Harvard in the class of 18th. After graduation he spent several years abroad at German universities. At Gottingen here cived the desire of doctor of philosophy in 18th. The next year he was appointed a later in Greek and Latin at Harvard, and in that cauacity he served four years. In 1860 he received the appointment of Eliot professor of Greek literature, and he has held that chair eyer since.

Prof. Goodwin has received the degree of doctor of laws from Antherst, Edinburgh, Scotland Columbin, Cambridge, England, and Harvard, and the degree of doctor of civil law from Oxford, England. He was the test director of the American school for classical study at Athens and for services connected with that institution. The King of Greece awarded him the decoration of Knight of the Cross of the Saviour.

A Delicious Night Cap.

A cold bottle of Myles Standish Ginger Ale .-- A de.

NO TRACE OF STOLEN GOLD.

STEAMSHIP COMPANY OFFERS A RE-WARD FOR ITS RECOVERY.

New York Officials of the Line Can't Explain the Theft on the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse -Four Persons May Have Had Keys to the Strong Room - Captain Reports Loss.

Special Cable Desputches to THE SUN.

BREMERHAVEN, April 10 .- It is now officially announced that two bars were stolen from the strong room of the Kaiser Wilhelm der rosse. The North German Lloyd Steamship Company has offered a reward of 10,000 marks for the recovery of the gold or the discovery of the thleves.

The steamer has been thoroughly searched for the missing bars, as has also the baggage of the passengers and crew, but no clue has been found.

LONDON, April 10 .- Keller & Wallis, the agents of the North German Steamship Comany, confirm the report of the robbery of gold bars from the strong room of the liner Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse. They de cline, however, to accept the estimate of the loss made by the police; in fact they doubt if the missing bars were ever placed aboard the ship.

SOUTHAMPTON, April 10.-About one hundred persons landed from the Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse here, but nothing leaked out as to the loss of the gold. The customs officials, however, inspected the passengers baggage more carefully than usual and experienced travellers wondered vaguely at he delay. They were not aware of the cause however, until they saw the newspapers The officials are convinced that the gold was not landed at Southampton.

The only definite information received in his city yesterday regarding the theft of two or three gold bars, valued at as. 00 apie e, from a keg in the strong room of the man got off with only a slight bruise or two. steamship Kaiser Wilhelm der Grosse, on her last voyage from this port to Cherbourg, was a cable despatch from Capt. Engelbart, captain of the ship, confirming the fact of the loss. Capt. Engelbart's cablegram said that the strong room had apparently been entered and that three bars had been taken from one of the kegs of gold in the room. In default of further information the manager of the North German Lloyd office here, Mr. Herman Winter, was unable to advance any theory

of the robbery. "The strong room," he said, "is built into the afterpart of the ship on the lower deck. It is of chilled steel-practically a bunk safe built into the ship- and is quite large. It is very closely watched and is locked by two keys, both of which must be brought into use when the room is opened or closed. One of these keys is in the custody of the captain and the other the purser has. Either the captain or the purser may confide his key to one of his subordinates, with authority also to open the room, hence there are four persons on the ship who may have access to the eys and to the strong room.

"I am utterly at a loss to understand how the robbery could be accomplished and I am der what circumstances the discovery of the robbery was made. Of course, a very minute investigation will be made. The gold most likely was part of a shipment of \$500,000 made by the National City Bank. I have no reason to suppose there were any other than the usual formalities and methods of procedure in the case of shipments of that kind. The gold is delivered on the dock by the bank, the number of kegs is noted by the purser who receives them and he gives to the representative of the bank a receipt for a certain number of casks 'said to contain gold' of such and such an amount in value. I believe it is an account the top of the bank are receipt for a certain number of casks 'said to contain gold' of such and such an amount in value. I believe it is all the robberty could be accomplished and I am begged off from the next and promised to meet Mrs. Buschbaum after she had made the third call alone. Then he went to look at the subway.

He was standing on two cobblestones to covarion when a south-bound trolley car came along. In trying to get out of the way the slipped on the stones and fell in front of the car. He was killed instantly.

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and such an amount in value. I believe it is
the usual custom for the representative of
the bank to see the treasure deposited in the
strong room, although this probably would
not be necessary.
"I do not recall a single instance of a robhery quite like this one, that is, of course,

of the sen Mr. Archibald G. Loomis, Vice-President of the National City Bank, said that the bank knew nothing about the robbery save what had been printed. The roll of the roll of the The roll was shipped in casks, or kegs. to the does, where it is turned over to the proper steamship official and receipted for just his any other freight.

At the Assay office it was said that the gold tars were probably of the \$5,000 size at d were about \$5,000. Gold bars are made of all sizes from five ounces, worth \$100 to the size just mentioned. It is this last size which is usually selected for shipment in large sums. Seven of these bars are packed in a keg. Five of them are put in the bottom standing up their ends. Then sawdust is tamped in around them and beare packed in a keg. Five of them are put in the bottom standing up their ends. Then sawdust is tamped in around them and between them to prevent loss by abrasion. On top of these is then placed another layer of seedust and then two more gold tars are laid across with sawdust all around them, illing up the keg. When a bank orders gold from the Assay office it is delivered in boxes, the bank doing the packing in kegs at a cost of about \$5 a keg. Very often the kegs are never opened at their destination, but are taken and stored away as so much money and frequently shipped again and again untouched. The fact that the robbery was discovered before the gold left the ship shows that it was not a case of substitution, but that the seals must have been broken and the cask forced own.

Capt Titus said vesterday that he bad not been informed officially of the robbery, and that he was doing nothing about it

that he was doing nothing about it

PASS MR. GERRY'S SEALSKIN CAP. Notice to Customs Inspectors That It Is Certifi-

Fibridge T. Gerry was at the Custom House yesterday to get a seniskin certificate for his famous cap. He sails for Europe next week on the steamship Deutschland. He explained that he had worn the cap for thirty explained has be and work the cub for hirry years because he was subject to severe fits of neuralgia which came whenever a breeze struck his head, now spar ely protected by heir. He got a certificite termitting free entry of the cap on his return from Europe.

Mr. Gerry in, his sworn affidavit, described the cap as a "peaked cap, black satin lining," and stated that it had been bought of a local furrier. farrier
All the old time customs inspectors, know him and the cap by sight very well but possibly he feared to encounter a green hand on his return.

Mayor Waves the Taffy Away.

of the establishment of a park in the old bed of Bushwick Creek called on the Mayor yes-

Ivers & Pond Pianos. Tuners' bills reduced to the minimum. Highest quality. At Chandler's, 439 Fulton st., Brooklyn. - Adv.

MR. MORGAN ARRIVES.

Would Not Be Interviewed at Queenstown Enjoyed the Ocean Trip.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. London, April 11 - Queenstown correspon dents telegraph that J. Pierpont Morgan arrived on the White Star liner Teutonic today and that he was inaccessible to interviewers. He received a big batch of correspondence and proceeded at once to Liver-

The passengers sa; that although they experienced a rough voyage Mr. Morgan enjoyed it thoroughly. Mr. Morgan was friendly with his fellow cabin passengers and chatted freely on everything except business.

D. O. MILLS IN A RAILROAD WRECK. His Car Not Derailed, but Others Derailed and

Burned in California. SAN FRANCISCO, April 10 .- D. O. Mills of New York was among the passengers who had a narrow escape from death in the wreck on the new coast line of the Southern Pacific company early this morning. The New Orleans expressw as running at high speed near San Maguil, Monterey county, when the flange of the new locomotive broke, derailing the express, baggage and seven tourist

Two Pullmans and Mr. Mills's private car, the Sacramento, remained on the track and were bauled to a place of safety by hand The other cars were destroyed by fire caused by the overturned stove. No one was killed. The mail was saved.

5.800 SAMOANS UNDER OUR RULE. Their General Condition Has Improved Since

Our Occupation. PAGO-PAGO, Samoa, March 27, via San Franisco, April 10.—The natives under the United States Government number 5,800, according to a census just taken, while the natives in the other islands under German rule number 32,000. The population has increased very slightly in the last thirty years, and the main cause of this failure to increase is the infant mortality, due to the violation of the simplest health principles in the care and diet of chil-

Gov. Tilley returned from a trip to New Zealand on March 14. His health was greatly mproved by the change.

Reports from the six islands under United States control show that the natives are improving in general conditions, and that they show a desire to keep their houses neat and to educate their children. Not a single native has been arrested for drunkenness since the Americans assumed control of Tutuila island.

CURIOSITY KILLS A TAILOR. Tiptoeing on Cobblestones to Look in at the

Tunnel, He Slips Under a Trolley Car. Curiosity to see the work of the Rapid Transit subway diggers in Union Square cost Harris Buschbaum his life last night Buschbaum was a tailor of 231 East Second street. He left home with his wife last night to make some calls. After making two he and Fifty-first street. Chief Inspector King begged off from the next and promised to and Inspectors Jacobs and Kyle got Mortell. the third call alone. Then he went to look | they must have come into New York on two

look over the fence which surrounds the ex- ing, March 31. The mail which comes in at cavation when a south-bound trolley car that time is taken for distribution to Station came along. In trying to get out of the way | G. There the inspectors learned that some

KILLED BY FOUR HARD-BOILED EGGS. Street and Sixth avenue at 7:5) A. M. They

Counter and Died Next Day. Sr Louis, Mo , April 10 - William G. Dow- harry, pulled out his train and went on up at Delta, Mo., while on his way to this city | that Martell had to wait two hours for another

TROLLEY CAR RUNS A BABY DOWN.

Rush of Traffic Confused Four Year-Old Mamle

While crossing Third avenue at Seventyfourth street last night four-year-old Mamie

A HYMN BY LONGFELLOW. Unpublished Feem Discovered Among the Late

Boston, April 10.-An unpublished hymn written by Henry Wadsworth Longfellow has been ditcovered among the private letters at the Longfellow house. The hymn is entitled "Christo et Ecclesia;" and was written for the dedication of Appleton Chapel, which took place on Oct. 17, 1838. Dr. F. G. Deabody read the hymn at morning prayers last Monday. Miss Longfellow does not wish to give out the poem for publication last now and she has not definitely decided where the humn is first to be published. It is possible that it will soon be published in the Harrard Graduates' Magazine. Why the hymn was not read at the dedication of Harvard's chapel is not known.

KILLING IN A FIGHT OVER 5 CENTS. Might Have Been Two Deaths, but the Victim Couldn't Reach His Pistol.

In a fight over a crap game on a canalboat at the foot of East 144th street last night John Fuller, a negro, of 609 West 130th street, shot and killed John Scott, another negro of 265 West 146th street The amount involved

Scott had a gun as well as Fuller, but there was a hole in the bottom of his hip pocket and his revolver had slipped down and got tangled in the tear so he couldn't get at it in a hurry when he needed it most. Others of the canalboat party said that Scott was Fuller got away with the nickel

The purest natural spring water in the world. $-Ad \bullet$ White Label Guinness Stout.

DE WET A MENTAL WRECK?

BOTHA SAID TO HAVE LEARNED THIS AND RENEWED PEACE OVERTURES.

The Report Comes From Cape Town and Lacks Official Confirmation Persistent British Pursuit Said to Have Worn Out the Brilliant Boer Leader His Men Describe.

Special Cable Despatch to THE SUN. LONDON, April 11.-For weeks past reports have been current to the effect that Gen Christian De Wet has lost his reason in consequence of his incessant anxiety, his inability to rest or sleep, owing to the unrelaxing pursuit of his men by British columns. Although these stories have been attributed to Boer prisoners and have been accompanied with details, it has been impossible to accept them as entirely convincing, as they all came through unofficial British channels, which, however well their intentions may be, are not always trustworthy.

To-day there comes a statement from Cape Town reaffirming the tales of De Wet's mental collapse and asserting that Gen Botha, the Boer Commander-in-Chief, having satisfied himself of their truth, has reopened negociations with the British military officials or the conclusion of peace

It is known that Gen. Botha very recently visited Gen. De Wet in the neighborhood of Heilbron, and there, according to the cape Town despatch, he discovered that Gen. De Wet's intellect had been weakened to the extent that he was not responsible for his ctions and had lost his influence over his followers, who were rapidly forsaking him. These facts, according to this story, con-vinced Gen. Botha that a continuance of the ampaign rested with tim alone, and as Gen. De Wet has hitherto been the only opponent

of negotiations for peace, Botha resolved to

reopen negotiations, which are now pro-

seding. Nothing can be learned officially on the subject. A Cape Town despatch to the Daily Teles graph contains a similar story which the correspondent says is sen i-official. He says Gen Botha has had a further interview with Lord Kitchener whom he informed of Gen. De Wet's condition and added that De Wet refused to entertain the idea of surrender on any terms | Gen Boths, however, regarding De Wet as irresponsible, desires a modusvivendl in behalf of the whole burgher forces. The correspondent adds that the only possible erms obviously are unconditional surrender The new-papers are chary in accepting the Cape Town story The Times remarks that

STOLE THE OCEAN BEACH LETTERS. Thomas F. Martell, a Messenger at Station G. New York, Confesses.

ject is most likely to come

Cape Town is hardly the place from which

early and trustworthy news on such a sub-

The two packages of rifled letters which were found on the beach at Ocean Grove a week ago were stolen by Thomas F. Martell, a mail messenger, from Station G, Broadway It was found by examining the letters that trains which got into the Grand Central He was standing on two cobblestones to Station at about 6 o'clock on Sunday morns of the mail had been put up in four pouches and that Martell had been sent to carry the pouches to the clevated station at Fiftiet i also found that Martell on that morning St. Louis Man Ate Them at a Railroad Lunch | had a scrap with the messenger on the train and that the engineer of the train, being in a her, stopped | town without the pouches. The result was

at Delta, Mo., while on his way to this city and ate four hard-boiled eggs at the railroad lench counter. Shortly after his arrival at the home of his daughter in this city he complained of a severe attack of indigestion. This merning he died. His physician gave as the cause of death the eggs he had eaten.

MIST BE HEALTHY TO WED.

Minnesota Legislature Passes a Bill Requiring Medical Examinations.

ST PAUL, Minn. April 10 — A bill requiring a physical and mental examination of all applicants for marriage has passed both houses of the Legislature and will probably become a law The law is aimed to prevent the marriage of persons afflicted with incurable diseases, or of imbeciles.

E G. SIEVENS DIES SUDDENLY.

tain in the Regular Army. Edward G. Stevens was found dead in his

ail at the same time. Mamie waited for a southbound car to go by and then, with her arms stretched out in front of her, a little pigtail sticking straight out behind and eyes open wide, started for the opposite curb as fast as her chubby but short legs would carry her.

She was caught between the rails by the ear going uptown John Hartcorn, the motornian, did his best to stop, but there wasn't time. He was arrested. Physician Weston said that Sievens and great of heart disease.

Col. Bill Cody said last night that years ago he knew Stevens well on the plains.

The was graduated from West Point early in the "70" said the Colonel, "and was assigned to the Fifth Cavalry out in Nebraska as a Second Lieutenant. He afterward became a Captain. I was there then as a scout and took Stevens out on his first buffalo hunt. He was a sure shot, a splendid herseman and a general favorite in the army "He resigned from the army about fifteen years ago, when his father died, to take charge of his father's manufacturing business in clinton, Mass. He has since then been an officer on the staff of some Massachusetts. Clinton, Mass. He has since then been an officer on the staff of some Massachusetts Governor. A large basket of white carnations, with card addressed to Mr. Stevens, was in his

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999 Year Lease. The ordinances granting the North Germas Lloyd Dock Company a lease for 999 years of land at the foot of Third and Fourth streets Hoboken, free of rental, on which to build

Flood in the Penobscot Beats All Records.

enabsect River to e to a pitch to-day that far surpassed any records ever known, and the condition along the river to-night from Bangor to Oldtown, twelve niles above, resembles in many ways the great flood which covered this region in 1846. The river is filled with a mass of floating ice, logs, bridges, and parts of buildings Railroad traffic is entirely stopped.

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